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I.C.P.O. Bulletin (October 02-10, 2008)
"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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28/09/2008: Willi, DJ7RJ, arrived on the Marquesas. His QTH is situated near the coast on Ua Pou Island (OC-027, DIFO FO-027). Willi is active as FO/DJ7RJ until October 19th. QSLs will be confirmed via DJ7RJ after his return home. [DX Newsletter]

30/09/2008: A group of 9 VU amateurs will be QRV as AT8WFF for the first VUFF operation from the Bannerghatta National Park (WFFA reference VUFF-005), near Bangalore City, Karnataka State, India, from October 1-7th (Indian Standard Time - UTC + 5h 30m). Karnataka State Forest Department will be celebrating the 54th Wildlife Week during this period. The operation starts right at 1831 UTC September 30th on 40m. Likely frequencies: CW - 7020, 14020 and 14044 kHz; SSB - 7044, 14180 and 14244 kHz. QSL info via VU2JHM as per QRZ.com. [F5NQL]

02/10/2008: Mike, DB1JAW, will be active as 7W0JAW (or 7X/DB1JAW) from Bou-Saada and possibly other locations in the Algerian Sahara, October 2-14th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, but with a focus on 20/17/12 meters using SSB and PSK31. QSL only direct to DB1JAW; he is no longer a member of DARC. SAE is not required as Mike prints computerized envelopes. [OPDX Bulletin]

02/10/2008: Heijo, DJ1OJ, will spend the winter on Tenerife (AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA LH-1276) from early October 2008 until the end of March 2009. Heijo will be active as EA8OM mainly CW and RTTY to preserve the ears of his XYL. QSL via bureau to his homecall or via LoTW. [DX Newsletter]

02/10/2008: Joeke, PA0VDV, will be active as PJ2/PA0VDV from the island of Curacao (SA-006, also count for WLOTA LH-0942), October 2-19th. Activity will be CW only. QSL via his home callsign, by the bureau or direct. [OPDX Bulletin]

02/10/2008: Toshi, JA8BMK is expected to depart Sapporo on September 30th to Fiji (3D2) and fly from there to Tarawa Atoll, Western Kiribati (OC-017). His expected arrival is on October 2nd. Ships travel to Central Kiribati (T31) run about every 30-45 days, so while waiting to traveling to T31 (Kanton Island (OC-043) mentioned), Toshi will be active as T30XX for an unknown period of time. Equipment has already been shipped and waiting in T30. His equipment includes: Yaesu VLA-1000, TL933, 3 Generators, Yagi Antenna, Vertical antenna, Tent and Toyota van. He is also carrying additional equipment including an IC-7000, FT-897D and a HL-1.2KFX (Tokyo High Power). Toshi operates on CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. He will concentrate on EU and USA openings on the lower bands and the 30/17/12 meter bands. If possible, he will try to go Nauru (C21) and Banaba Island (T33). Because of long intervals between the boats to T31, he may be on the Tarawa Atoll for 2-3 months. Donations to assist in this long DXpedtion are appreciated. QSL via JA8UWT. [OPDX Bulletin]

03/10/2008: Members of the GyeongNam DX Club (6M0W), Lee/HL5BMX, Choi/6K5AQY, Kim/6K5AYC and Ha/6K5BHZ will be active as 6M0W/4 from Paegya Island (AS-060) between 0100z October 3rd to 1300z October 5th. Look for activity on all bands and modes. QSL via HL5BMX, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

03/10/2008: Han/DS2GOO and his XYL will be taing a trip to Cheju Island (AS-026, WLOTA LH-0686), October 3-5th. Look for Han to sign DS2GOO/4 and be active on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digitals modes during his local evening hours. QSL via his home call sign. [OPDX Bulletin]

03/10/2008: Operators Simon/DS1MRF, Yoo/DS1NPP, Lee/DS4NMJ, Lim/DS5EVU, Hook/DS5LRJ and Joy/6K5TET will be active October 3-5th as DT0HH/2 from Yonghung Island (AS-105). QSL via DS3FGV, direct (Yang Ki Sek Yang Sekki, PO Box 40, Asan City, 336-600 South Korea) or by the bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

03/10/2008: Operators Cory/N1WON and Ken/KF4U will be doing a casual operation from 'Radio Reef', St. Croix (USi VI-002S, WLOTA LH-2477, WW Loc. FK77PR), U.S. Virgin Islands (NA-106) as KP2/homecall from October 3-10th. Cory reports that they will pay particular attention to the 17 and 12 meter bands. QSL via their home callsigns or N1WON via LoTW. [OPDX Bulletin]

04/10/2008: Aki, JR1VAY will be active as AH2J from Barrigada, Guam (OC-026, USi GU-003S, WLOTA LH-0064), October 4-6th. He will also take part in the Oceania DX SSB Contest (October 4-5th). QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [NG3K]

04/10/2008: The newly formed Middlesex DX Group will be active October 4-10th on Arran Island (EU-123, IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14, WW Loc. IO75KM). They will use the call sign MS0MDG/p for SOTA activations and HF portable operation, while the call sign GB0MFG will be used for base operation. Activity is planned for 160m down to 23cms. Team members mentioned are John/G0KLX, Kevin/G1KAW, Simon/2E0VAG, Chris/2E0CMG, Carl/2E1IDC, Michael/G3WOE, Lee/2E0JDC and Jason/M1PRO. QSL via 2E0VAG, direct or by the bureau. [F5NQL]

04/10/2008: Ben, DO1BEN will once again be active as OZ/DO1BEN from Lolland Island (EU-029, SJ-015 for Danish Islands Award), October 4-11th. He will be active on all HF bands with vertical antennas for 10-40m and dipole antennas for 40 and 80 meters, running 100 Watts. A homebrew vertical for 20 meters will also be used. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

04/10/2008: Boris RW9TP & Co. will be active October 4-6th as UE9SFF from RDA District OB-24 (Buzuluksky area), Orenburg oblast (167, OB for "Rossija" award) and Buzulukskiy Bor (RFF-171). QSL direct or by the bureau. [RX3RC]

05/10/2008: The Sardinia QRP Club (IS QRP), IQ0QP will be active October 5th for the yearly Billy IS0ICE Memorial Day contest. Activity will be QRP only, using CW and SSB. This operation will count for IOTA EU-024, IIA SD-001, MIA MIS-035 and WLOTA LH-1608. Furher information about the club and this contest can be found at www.sardiniaqrp.com/ [IS0VSU]

05/10/2008: John, KE6GFF will be active as T6EE once again from metropolitan Kabul, Afghanistan, between October 5th and 31st. Equipment

will be FT897d, YP3 Super Antenna and long shockcord element Buddipole. Operation limited to 14.2 MHz by license (+/-QRM). He will give particular attention to the Americas, Africa and Middle East. John will also Will participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

06/10/2008: Look for Lasse, OZ1FJB/p and John, OZ1LXJ/p to be active from Anholt Island (EU-088, NK-001 for the Danish Islands Award), October 6-10th. They plan to operate CW and SSB on the HF bands in their spare time, indicatively between 3-5 UTC and again between 20-22 UTC. QSL via home calls. [425 DX News]

07/10/2008: Bill, W4WV will return to Guantanamo Bay (NA-015, WLOTA LH-0358) as KG4WV and will work all HF bands on SSB. Ed, KN4KL will operate as KG4KL and will work all HF bands (160-10m) and some 6 meters, on RTTY, SSTV, and SSB with 100 Watts. Activity will take place from October 7-21st. QSL via operator's home call sign or by the bureau. [OPDX Bulletin]

07/10/2008: Ulli, DL2AH will be active holiday style from the South Pacific between October 7th and November 9th. His first stop will be the Manua Islands (OC-077) and will sign KH8/DL2AH from October 7-27th. He will then head to Tonga (OC-049) and will sign A35? (call sign pending) between October 29th and November 9th. He will be QRV 40-10 meters, mainly SSB with some RTTY, using an FT897 and Windom antenna. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

08/10/2008: Al, LA9SN, will once again be active from Jan Mayen (EU-022) as JX9SN for only a few hours on October 8th. Watch for him on CW on 30 and 20 meters. QSL direct to LA9SN. [OPDX Bulletin]

09/10/2008: Operators Markus/DJ7EO, Heye/DJ9RR, Chris/DL1MGB, Dietmar/DL3DXX, Tom/DL5LYM, Ben/DL6FBL, Dieter/DL8OH, Robert/SP5XVY and Joerg/DL8WPX plan to be QRV October 9-27th as VK9DWX from Willis Island (OC-007). QRV with four high power stations in CW/SSB/RTTY on 160m-6m. Antennas will be vertical antennas on all bands, with arrays from 80-10m. QSL via DJ2MX. Further information and updates can be found at: www.vk9dwx.de/ [DXNL]

10/10/2008: Wojtek, SQ4MP will be active as MJ/SQ4MP from Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA LH-0818) from October 10-13th. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 meters, with an emphasis on 160, 17, 12 and 10 meters. QSL via SQ4MP, direct or bureau. His log will be uploaded to LoTW. [425 DX News]

10/10/2008: Jovica, E78A (aka 6W1SJ, ex. T98A, ST0RM, ST2A) will be QRV from Chad as TT8JT from October 10-18th. As Jovica travels to Chad for work, activity (mostly CW on 40, 30 and 20m) on the bands will be during his free time. QSL via E73Y: Boris Knezovic, P.O. Box 59, BA-71000 Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, or via the bureau. [E73Y]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

18/10/2008: Look for operators Ingolf/DL4JS, Rich/DK8YY, Jens-Uwe/DL8ALU, Sigi/DL8AKI and Frank/DL1WA to be QRV from Senegal as 6W/DL4JS from October 18-28th. Activity is planed for all HF-Bands in CW, SSB and RTTY, maybe also on 6m depends on conditions. Hope to catch as many callers as possible on low bands. They will be active with 2 stations, monoband beams for 20/15/10, dipoles, vertical for 160/80 and

K9AY. [NG3K]

18/10/2008: GB2RAF will be operational on October 18th from the Air Defence Radar Museum RAF Neatishead RAFARS permanent S.E.S for a Special WW2 over 60s meeting at the Museum. RAFARS frequencies SSB or CW on 80m, or 40m if conditions are poor. The Museums Web site is www.radarmuseum.co.uk/ [F5NQL]

25/10/2008: Jack, RW3QC will be active from the island of Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA LH-0051) as 5B4AII for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th), as a Single-Op/All-Band/SO2R entry from CQ Zone 20. QSL via RW3RN. [NG3K]

25/10/2008: Operators Fabio/I4UFH, Massimo/IZ4DPV, Vic/I4YSS, Tony/CT1ESV and others will be active from the D4C Monte Verde contest station, Mindelo, Ilha do S?o Vicente (AF-086, WLOTA LH-1976) for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th), as a Multi-? entry. QSL via the bureau to CT1ESV, or direct only to IZ4DPV. [NG3K]

25/10/2008: Stewart, GM4AFF plans to be QRV as GZ0F from the Shetland Islands (EU-012, IOSA SH01, SCOTIA SI11, WLOTA LH-0867) for the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th), as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via M0CMK, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

07/11/2008: 100th anniversary of the Kingdom of Bhutan. After A52FH in 2000, A52CDX in 2004 and 2005, Gerard/F2VX, Alain/F5LMJ, Jean-Louis/F9DK and Vincent/G0LMX will once again be in Bhutan from November 7-25th with a very special call sign A5100A (A5 = Bhutan, 100 as one hundred = centenary from the kingdom). They will be in Thimphu from November 7-17th, then they will met Pradhan, A51PN in the south part and they are /P from 3 different regions. With IC756PRO, IC746, FT857D two amplifiers 1Kw, Spiderbeam for 5 bands, wire 11 element log periodic. QSL via F9DK, direct or bureau. [F6AJA]

14/11/2008: Special event station GB70RAF will be aired between November 14th and December 11th to celebrate RAFARS 70th Anniversary. QTH will be from Shaftesbury Dorset (WAB ST82). They plan to be QRV 80-10 meter CW and SSB, plus 2m FM. QSL via the RSGB bureau. [F5NQL]

15/11/2008: Sacramento de Colonia Radio Club (CX2FAA) members Ricardo/CX5FT, Viterbo/CX9FD, Italo/CX3FG, Marber/CX9ACK and Walter/CX6FF plan to be QRV November 15-16th as CX1F from San Gabriel Island (SA-057), Uruguay. Look for activity on the major HF bands on SSB, CW, PSK and SSTV. QSL direct to PO Box 39073, 70000 Colonia del Sacramento, Uruguay. Further information on their web site at cx2faa.iespana.es/ [rsgbiota.org]

29/11/2008: Jim, W7EJ will once again be QRV as from Casablanca, Morocco, as CN2R during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th), as a Single-Op/Single-Band entry. QSL via W7EJ, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

29/11/2008: Look for Bruce, XW1B to be active from "The Farm" 38km north of Vientiane, Laos during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th), as an All-Band entry. He will be on 40m only if new yagi is up by then. QSL via E21EIC, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

05/12/2008: Dr. Helmuth Spieler W6KDX will be returning to work on the South Pole Telescope at the US Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station (IOTA AN-016, AA K-08, WAP USA-21) from December 5th to January 5th. He hopes

to re-activate KC4AAA in his spare time on SSB in the vicinity of 14.243 MHz. Please direct any inquries to KC4AAA2008 at gmail.com . QSL via K1IED. To learn about the exciting South Pole Telescope project, visit pole.uchicago.edu/ [K2ARB]

05/12/2008: Bruce, XW1B will be QRV from "The Farm" 38km N. of Vientiane, Laos, during the ARRL 160-Meter Contest (December 5-7th). No entry class was given. QSL via E21EIC, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

15/12/2008: An official amateur call sign OP0LE is assigned to Princess Elizabeth base (IOTA AN-016, 71?57'S and 23?20'E). Paul, ON3PC will be operating from the base between December 15, 2008 and February 15, 2009. He will be working at the base as a plumber boiler-mechanic and he will be in charge of the communications in supplement. He never made any qso on amateur radio frequencies and he should appear mostly at the begining on the antarctic dx net that is managed on 14MHz and 7MHz. After 40 years of silence, Belgium is back on air from Antarctica. [F5PFP]

26/12/2008: Look for Mike, CT1IUA to be active December 26-31st as homecall/p from the Serra da Malcata Natural Reserve (DPRN reference FF-23 for the Diploma of Natural Parks and Reserves, WFF reference CTFF-023). QSL via home call, direct or by the bureau. [DPRN]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

01/10/2008: Special event station 8J1SOKA will be active between October 1st and November 30th to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Soka-city. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via the JARL QSL bureau.

01/10/2008: Look for special event station 8N3GENJI to be aired from October 1st to December 31st to commemorate The Millennium of "Tale of Genji". QSL via the JARL bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

03/10/2008: Special event station PA08DWN will be aired October 3-4th on 40 and 20 meter CW from the original radio station of the sea tug "Elbe" during the annual Furieade maritime festival in Maassluis near Rotterdam. Since 2002, 60 volunteers having been working to restore this 1959 tug boat to its original state. It was the strongest tugs from its time and will now become a sailing museum ship. The ship lies in the port of Maasluis, 20 km from the port city Rotterdam. QSL via PA3ALM. [UBA HF News]

03/10/2008: The yearly International YL and XYL Meeting will happen this year in South Africa, from October 3rd to 18th. The special call sign ZS08YL will be aired for the occasion. This station will be operated from three locations: Johanesburg, Durban and Capetown. QSL via operator's instructions. [F5NQL]

04/10/2008: The Senegalese SNRASEC ARC 6W7PCT will air the special call sign 6V7SPACE, during the Space Week between October 4th and 10th. A rendezvous is scheduled on October 4th for an air meeting between a class of the Grandcour school (Switzerland, Fribourg canton) and the Scientific club of the College IV of Mbour (Senegal). Radio and SSTV exchanges are planned. More information on the SNRASEC web page at: www.senrasec.org/ [F5NQL]

04/10/2008: G6HL will be on the air again after 50yrs, the call sign used by Wg Cdr Ieuan Edward Hill's Amateur Radio Station. Listen out on

October 4th from around 1030z on 3.650Mhz to help celebrate the launch of G6HL from the Muckleburgh Collection Museum RAFARS 4669 Weybourne N Norfolk England. [F5NQL]

04/10/2008: The Grimsby District battalion of the Boys' Brigade are putting on GB125BB over the weekend of October 4th and 5th to celebrate 125 years of the Boys' Brigade. Also look out for GB125BB from Cleethropes and GB125L from Quorn in Leicestershire. [GB2RS]

U.S.A. Special event station information can be found at:
www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html
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SIX METERS & UP -

04/10-10/10 GB0MFG: Arran Island EU-123 base operation 6M QSL 2E0VAG (d/b)

04/10-10/10 MS0MDG/P: Arran Island EU-123 SOTA activations 6M QSL 2E0VAG (d/b)

07/10-21/10 KG4KL: Guantanamo Bay 6M Grid:FK29KV IC706MK2G 100W 4el quad QSL KN4KL (d/b)

07/10-21/10 KG4WV: Guantanamo Bay 6M Grid:FK29KV IC706MK2G 100W 4el quad QSL W4WV (d/b)

09/10-27/10 VK9DWX: Willis Island OC-007 6M QSL DJ2MX (d/b)

GOT6??? - 6M Information by Andy, N8OFS (Updated September 28, 2008) at:
www.noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt
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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

02/10-31/3/09 EA8OM: Isla de Tenerife WLOTA:1276 QSL DJ1OJ (b/LoTW)
02/10-19/10 PJ2/PA0VDV: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL HC (d/b)
03/10-05/10 DS2GOO/4: Cheju Do WLOTA:0686 QSL HC (d/b)
03/10-10/10 KP2/KF4U: St. Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL HC (d/b)
03/10-10/10 KP2/N1WON: St. Croix Island WLOTA:2477 QSL HC (d/b)
04/10-06/10 AH2J: Guam Island WLOTA:0064 QSL JR1VAY (b)
04/10 G6HL: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL QRZ.com
04/10-05/10 GB125BB: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL RSGB bureau
04/10-05/10 GB125L: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL RSGB bureau
05/10 IQ0QP: Sardinia WLOTA:1608 QSL QRZ.com
07/10-21/10 KG4KL: Guantanamo Bay WLOTA:0358 QSL KN4KL (d/b)
07/10-21/10 KG4WV: Guantanamo Bay WLOTA:0358 QSL W4WV (d/b)
10/10-13/10 MJ/SQ4MP: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL HC (d/b)
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QSL INFO -

EF8M QSL VIA direct:
Valery Komarov (RD3AF)
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Moscow 121433
RUSSIA
Source: RZ3AZ

QSLs received Bureau - none to report :o(

QSLs received Direct - 3D2AP/P [OC-060], 3DA?ZO (via OH?XX), 9Q/SM7RME (via SM7EHU), CN8KD (via EA5XX), FW1Z (via JA3RAF), K7A (via K6HFA),

ES1WN, TO5E (via W7XU), VK9CJW (via I5JHW), VP6DX (via DL6LAU), XU7DLH (via DK7TF), YW5IOTA [SA-037] (via IT9DAA), ZW?S (via PS7JN).

QSLs received LoTW - FS/DL7DF, G?LZL, OK2ZC, PJ7/DL7DF, VE3YV, ZK1DI.
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SILENT KEYS -

Nikolai Nikolayevich Lapin, RU1OL (ex UW1OL), the oldest wireless enthusiast of Severodvinsk and Arkhangel'sk reg. became a Silent Key the morning of September 27, 2008.

Anthony Martin, M1FDE passed away at the age of 41 in the early hours of Saturday 20th September. Anthony was a pioneer of the Personal Role Radio (PRR) introduced into the British Army in 2002, and was responsible for its RF design.
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BITS & PIECES -

Australia's most southerly lighthouse is home for six months to Tad VK2LNX and his XYL Suzanne VK2FSNJ. They have become the latest volunteer caretakers for this lonely output that has rain on 250 days of the year. Maatsuyker Island is 10 kilometres off the southern Tasmanian coast. It bears the full brunt of the roaring forties across the Southern Ocean that results in gale force winds, and occasional fierce storms with golf ball sized hail stones. Their duties include taking regular weather reports and maintaining the heritage values of the lighthouse and its surrounds. Tad VK2LNX has an Elecraft K3 transceiver and G5RV antenna. Do listen for Tad and Suzanne on the bands.

P2 QRV 50 & 144 MHz soon:
A Team of Al/AD6E, Derek/G3KHZ, Luis/CT1AGF, Mike/K6MYC and Skip/W5GAI, will activate the very rare DXCC P2, Papua New Guinea (QI45UM). It will be a joined expedition with HF and EME on 50 and 144MHz. Mike K6MYC will be activating 50Mhz EME and 144MHz EME. on 50Mhz he will use 2x6M7JHV and 2X2MXP20 both with full elevation. He will use 8877 Pa on both band output 1kw. EME activity is likely to be from the 20 october to the 25 at least. More details soon at MMMonVHF at:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=1986 [MMMonVHF]
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